WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

ORDER NO. 1731

IN THE MATTER OF:		Served August 5, 1977
Order to Show Cause Directed to the BALTIMORE AND ANNAPOLIS RAILROAD COMPANY)	Docket No. 334

Pursuant to Order Nos. 1662, 1664, and 1674, served March 18, March 29, and April 21, 1977, respectively, a public hearing was held on April 27, 1977, at which time respondent Baltimore and Annapolis Railroad Company was afforded an opportunity to show cause why it should not be directed to cease and desist from the transportation for hire of persons solely between points in the Metropolitan District. Counsel for respondent asserted at the hearing that respondent did not understand "... what the Commission is after...," and that "... I don't know what type of evidence to produce..."

By the terms of the Compact, this Commission can only be concerned with transportation conducted solely between points in the Metropolitan District. We feel that this point is obvious and clearly established by the entire history of this proceeding. The issue is whether B & A has conducted transportation for hire of persons between any points in the Metropolitan District, within the meaning of the Compact, Title II, Article XII, §1, without appropriate authority therefor. We shall, in the interest of administrative and judicial economy, however, afford respondent a further opportunity to show cause as specified. See Compact, Title II, Article XII.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that further public hearing in the above-entitled matter be, and it is hereby, scheduled to commence Wednesday, September 14, 1977, at 10 a.m., in the Hearing Room of the Commission, Room 314, 1625 I Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20006.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION:

WILLIAM H. McGILVERY Executive Director